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April 24, 2014

William K. Tam  
Director of Public Works/City Engineer  
City of Irwindale  
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Irwindale, CA 91706

RE: Ordinance #674 and 675

Dear Mr. Tam:

This letter is to advise you of our determination regarding the referenced ordinance with express findings received from your agency on April 22, 2014.

Our review finds the submittal to contain two ordinances modifying provisions of the 2013 California Building Standards Code in Title 24, California Code of Regulations (code), and express findings complying with Health and Safety Code §§17958.7 and 18941.5. The code modifications are accepted for filing and are enforceable. This letter attests only to the satisfaction of the cited law for filing of local code amendment supported by an express finding with the Commission. The Commission is not authorized by law to evaluate the merit of the code modification or the express finding.

Local modifications to the code are specific to a particular edition of the code. They must be readopted and filed with the Commission in order to remain in effect when the next triennial edition of the code is published.

On a related matter, should your city receive and ratify Fire Protection District ordinances making modifications to the code, be advised that Health and Safety Code §13869.7(c) requires such ratified ordinances and express findings to be filed with the Department of Housing and Community Development, Division of Codes and Standards, State Housing Law Program, rather than this Commission. Also, ordinances making modifications to the energy efficiency standards of the code may require approval from the California Energy Commission pursuant to Public Resources Code §25402.1(h)(2).

If you have any questions or need any further information, you may contact me at (916) 263-0916.

Sincerely,

  
Enrique M. Rodriguez  
Associate Construction Analyst

cc: Chron  
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June 11, 2014

Ms. Jane Taylor, Finance Department  
California Building Standards Commission  
2525 Natomas Park Drive, Suite 130  
Sacramento, California 95833

**Subject: City of Irwindale Adoption to Municipal Code with regard to Building and Fire Codes for 2014 - Corrected Certified Copies**

Dear Ms. Taylor;

Please find attached a corrected certified copy of the City Council approved Ordinance No. 674, amending Title 15 of the Irwindale Municipal Code by adopting by reference the *Los Angeles County Building Code (2014 Edition)* with Irwindale amendments, *Los Angeles County Electrical Code (2014 Edition)*, the *Los Angeles County Mechanical Section (2014 Edition)*, the *Los Angeles County Plumbing Code (2014 Edition)*, the *Los Angeles County Green Building Standards Code (2014 Edition)*, and the *Los Angeles County Residential Code (2014 Edition)*, adopting local amendments and repealing all other ordinances or portions of ordinances that may conflict. This ordinance was approved on January 8, 2014

Additionally, I've attached a corrected certified copy of the City Council approved Ordinance No. 675, amending Title 15.12 of the Irwindale Municipal Code and adopting by reference the *Los Angeles County Fire Code (2014 Edition)*, with the *Los Angeles County Amendments* and repealing all ordinances or portions of ordinances that may conflict. Ordinance 675 was approved on March 26, 2014.

If you have any questions, or need additional information please contact me at (626) 430-2211.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Rodriguez  
Public Works Analyst

Enclosures

cc: William K. Tam, Director of Public Works/City Engineer



**ORDINANCE NO. 675**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE  
AMENDING TITLE 15.12 OF THE IRWINDALE MUNICIPAL CODE AND  
ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE CODE (2014  
EDITION), AND COUNTY AMENDMENTS AND REPEALING ALL OTHER  
ORDINANCES OR PORTIONS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH**

**RECITALS**

A. Government Code section 50022.2 *et seq.* authorizes the adoption by reference of California codes and codes that adopt the California codes, including the codes of the County of Los Angeles, which adopts the California Fire Code, as amended.

B. Section 17958.5 of the Health and Safety Code expressly authorizes cities to make changes in the California Fire Code, as reasonably necessary due to local conditions.

C. The Los Angeles County Fire Code incorporates appropriate findings related to local climatic, geological or topographical conditions of Los Angeles County, as specified under the provisions of the California Health & Safety Code.

D. On February 12, 2014, the City Council considered Ordinance 675 and accepted staff's recommendation to adopt by reference of the County of Los Angeles Fire Code with County's amendments, which adopts the California Fire Code, as amended.

E. On March 26, 2014, the City Council of the City of Irwindale, pursuant to a notice duly issued under Government Code section 50022.3, conducted a public hearing to consider this ordinance adopting the Los Angeles Fire Code with County amendments.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**FIRE CODE**

**SECTION 1:** Chapter 15.12 of the Irwindale Municipal Code is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced as provided below.

**SECTION 2:** Chapter 15.12 of the Irwindale Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**"Section 15.12.10. Adoption of code.** There is hereby adopted, as the city fire code, except as provided in this chapter, that certain fire code known and designated as the Los Angeles County Fire Code, 2014 Edition (Title 32 of the Los Angeles County Code), Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2014-0014, as adopted by County of Los Angeles, which incorporates and amends the 2013 California Fire Code, including all appendixes thereto and changes made by the County of Los Angeles, and such code shall be and become the fire code of the city which prescribes the minimum Fire Code requirements for fire and life-safety issues."

**SECTION 3:** The City Council hereby finds that the County of Los Angeles, in adopting its Ordinance No. 2014-0014, has made all appropriate findings related to local climatic, geological or topographical conditions, as specified under the provisions of the California Health & Safety Code. The City Council hereby incorporates the findings summarized in the Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2014-0014.

**SECTION 4:** The City Council hereby finds that the County of Los Angeles, in adopting its Ordinance No. 2014-0014 has made all appropriate findings related to administrative matters. The City Council hereby incorporates the findings summarized in the Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2014-0014.

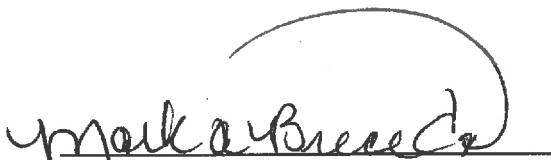
**SECTION 5:** All violations of the provisions of the Los Angeles County Fire Code, (2014 Edition), adopted by the City shall be a misdemeanor and subject to the penalty provisions contained in Chapter 1.12 of the Irwindale Municipal Code.

**SECTION 6: Full Force and Effect.** Except as expressly amended herein, all other subsections of Chapter 15 of the Irwindale Municipal Code shall be unchanged and in full force and effect.


**SECTION 7: Effective Date.** The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this ordinance by the City Council of the City of Irwindale and shall, within 15 days after its final passage, cause the same to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Irwindale, and this Ordinance shall take effect 30 days after its passage.

**SECTION 8: Severability.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council of the City of Irwindale hereby declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions thereof may be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014.

  
Mark A. Breceda, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Armando Hegdahl  
Acting Deputy City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA           )  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES    ) ss.  
CITY OF IRWINDALE            )

I, Armando Hegdahl, Acting Deputy City Clerk of the City of Irwindale, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 675 was introduced for first reading at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Irwindale held on February 12, 2014, and adopted on second reading at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Irwindale held on March 26, 2014, and was carried by the following-roll call vote:

AYES:           Councilmembers:   Ambriz, Garcia, Miranda, Ortiz, Mayor Breceda

NOES:           Councilmembers:   None


ABSENT:        Councilmembers:   None

ABSTAIN:       Councilmembers:   None

  
Armando Hegdahl  
Acting Deputy City Clerk

**AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING**

I, Armando Hegdahl, Acting Deputy City Clerk, certify that I caused a copy of Ordinance No. 675, adopted by the City Council of the City of Irwindale at its regular meeting held March 26, 2014, to be posted at the City Hall, Library, and Post Office on March 27, 2014.

  
Armando Hegdahl  
Acting Deputy City Clerk

Dated:   March 27, 2014

## ORDINANCE NO. 674

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE AMENDING TITLE 15 OF IRWINDALE MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUILDING CODE (2014 EDITION) WITH IRWINDALE AMENDMENTS, LOS ANGELES COUNTY ELECTRICAL CODE (2014 EDITION), LOS ANGELES COUNTY PLUMBING CODE (2014 EDITION), LOS ANGELES COUNTY MECHANICAL CODE (2014 EDITION), LOS ANGELES COUNTY GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE (2014 EDITION), LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTIAL CODE (2014 EDITION) AND ADOPTING LOCAL AMENDMENTS THERETO REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PORTIONS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 50022.2 *ET SEQ.***

### RECITALS

A. Government Code section 50022.2 *et seq.* authorizes the adoption by reference of California codes and codes that adopt the California codes, including the Codes of the County of Los Angeles, which adopts the California Building, Residential, Green Building Standards, Plumbing, Electrical and Mechanical Codes, as amended.

B. Section 17958.5 of the Health and Safety Code expressly authorizes cities to make changes in the California Building, Residential, Green Building Standards, Plumbing, Electrical and Mechanical Codes, as reasonably necessary due to local conditions.

C. The Los Angeles County Building, Residential, Green Building Standards, Electrical, Plumbing and Mechanical Codes incorporate appropriate findings related to local climatic, geological, or topographical conditions of Los Angeles County, as specified under the provisions of the California Health & Safety Code.

D. On December 11, 2013, the City Council considered Ordinance 674 and accepting staff's recommendation to amend Appendix "J" of the County grading section to include Backfilling Standards of Open-Pit Mines and the requirement of a grading permit for the backfilling of open-pit mines using either inert debris fill or soil fill.

E. On January 8, 2014, the City Council of the City of Irwindale, pursuant to a notice duly issued under Government Code section 50022.3, conducted a public hearing to consider this ordinance adopting the 2014 Edition of the Los Angeles Building, Residential, Green Building Standards, Plumbing,

Electrical and Mechanical Codes with the City's amendment of Appendix "J" of the County Building Codes.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

BUILDING CODE

SECTION 1: Chapter 15.04.10 of the Irwindale Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 15.04.010. Adoption of code. A. There is hereby adopted, as the city building code, except as provided in this chapter, that certain building code known and designated as the Los Angeles County Building Code, 2014 Edition (Title 26 of the Los Angeles County Code), which incorporates and amends the 2013 California Building Code, including all appendixes thereto and changes made by the County of Los Angeles and by the City of Irwindale, and such code shall be and become the building code of the city, regulating and controlling the design, construction, quality of materials, grading, use, occupancy, location and maintenance of all buildings or structures and prescribing conditions under which such work may be carried on within the city and providing for the issuance of permits and the collection of fees therefor.

B. Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2013-0048, as adopted by county of Los Angeles, is adopted in its entirety, with City's Amendments to Appendix "J".

SECTION 2: The City Council hereby finds that the County of Los Angeles, in adopting its Ordinance No. 2013-0048, has made all appropriate findings related to local climatic, geological, or topographical conditions, as specified under the provisions of the California Health & Safety Code. The City Council hereby incorporates the findings summarized in the Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2013-0048. The City Council further finds that the County's grading section Appendix "J" as revised to include the requirement of a grading permit for the backfilling of open-pit mines using either inert debris fill or soil fill, is necessary to address and remediate existing geological conditions as a result of mining activities in the City of Irwindale.

RESIDENTIAL CODE

SECTION 3: Chapter 15.06.010 of the Irwindale Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 15.06.010. Adoption of code. A. There is hereby adopted, as the city residential code, except as provided in this chapter, that certain residential code known and designated as the Los Angeles County Residential Code, 2014 Edition (Title 30 of the Los Angeles County Code), which incorporates and amends the 2013 California Residential Code, including all appendixes thereto and changes made by the County of Los Angeles and by the City of Irwindale,

and such code shall be and become the building code of the city, regulating and controlling the design, construction, quality of materials, grading, use, occupancy, location and maintenance of all buildings or structures and prescribing conditions under which such work may be carried on within the city and providing for the issuance of permits and the collection of fees therefor.

B. Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2013-0052, as adopted by the county of Los Angeles, is adopted in its entirety.

**SECTION 4:** The City Council hereby finds that the County of Los Angeles, in adopting its Ordinance No. 2013-0052 has made all appropriate findings related to administrative matters. The City Council hereby incorporates the findings summarized in the Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2013-0052.

#### ELECTRICAL CODE

**SECTION 5:** Chapter 15.08.010 of the Irwindale Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 15.08.010. Adoption of Code. A. There is hereby adopted as city electrical code, except as provided in this chapter, that certain electrical code known and designated as the Los Angeles County Electrical Code, 2014 Edition (Title 27 of the Los Angeles County Code), which incorporates and amends the California Electrical Code, 2013 Edition, including all appendixes thereto and changes made by the county of Los Angeles, and such code shall be and become the electrical code of the city regulating and controlling the design, construction, installation, quality of materials, operation and maintenance of electrical systems, wiring and appliances and providing for the issuance of permits and the collection of fees therefor.

B. Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2013-0049, as adopted by the county of Los Angeles, is adopted in its entirety.

**SECTION 6:** The City Council hereby finds that the County of Los Angeles, in adopting its Ordinance No. 2013-0049 has made all appropriate findings related to administrative matters. The City Council hereby incorporates the findings summarized in the Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2013-0049.

#### GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE

**SECTION 7:** Chapter 15.10.010 of the Irwindale Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 15.10.010. Adoption of code. A. There is hereby adopted, as the city green building standards code, except as provided in this chapter, that certain green building standards code known and designated as the Los Angeles County Green Building Standards Code, 2014 Edition (Title 31 of the Los

Angeles County Code), which incorporates and amends the 2013 California Green Building Standards Code, including all appendixes thereto and changes made by the County of Los Angeles and by the City of Irwindale, and such code shall be and become the building code of the city, regulating and controlling the design, construction, quality of materials, grading, use, occupancy, location and maintenance of all buildings or structures and prescribing conditions under which such work may be carried on within the city and providing for the issuance of permits and the collection of fees therefor.

B. Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2013-0053, as adopted by the county of Los Angeles, is adopted in its entirety.

**SECTION 8:** The City Council hereby finds that the County of Los Angeles, in adopting its Ordinance No. 2013-0053 has made all appropriate findings related to administrative matters. The City Council hereby incorporates the findings summarized in the Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2013-0053.

#### PLUMBING CODE

**SECTION 9:** Chapter 15.16.010 of the Irwindale Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 15.16.010. Adoption of Codes. A. There is hereby adopted as city plumbing code, except as provided in this chapter, that certain plumbing code known and designated as the Los Angeles County Plumbing Code, 2014 Edition (Title 28 of the Los Angeles County Code), which incorporates and amends the California Plumbing Code, 2013 Edition, including all appendixes thereto and changes made by the county of Los Angeles, and such code shall be and become the plumbing code of the city regulating and controlling plumbing and drainage systems, house sewers, private sewage disposal systems and prescribing conditions under which such work may be carried on within the city and providing for the issuance of permits and the collection of fees therefor.

B. Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2013-0050, as adopted by the county of Los Angeles, is adopted in its entirety.

**SECTION 10:** The City Council hereby finds that the County of Los Angeles, in adopting its Ordinance No. 2013-0050 has made all appropriate findings related to local climatic, geological, or topographical conditions, as specified under the provisions of the California Health & Safety Code. The City Council hereby incorporates the findings summarized in the Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2013-0050.

#### MECHANICAL CODE

**SECTION 11:** Chapter 15.20.010 of the Irwindale Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 15.20.010. Adoption of Codes. A. There is hereby adopted as city mechanical code, except as provided in this chapter, that certain mechanical code known and designated as the Los Angeles County Mechanical Code, 2014 Edition (Title 29 of the Los Angeles County Code), which incorporates and amends the California Mechanical Code, 2013 Edition, including all appendixes thereto and changes made by the county of Los Angeles, and such code shall be and become the mechanical code of the city regulating and controlling the design, construction, installation, quality of materials, operation and maintenance of heating, ventilating, cooling, refrigeration systems, incinerators and other miscellaneous heat-producing appliances and providing for the issuance of permits and the collection of fees therefor.

B. Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2013-0051 as adopted by the county of Los Angeles, is adopted in its entirety.

SECTION 12: The City Council hereby finds that the County of Los Angeles, in adopting its Ordinance No. 2013-0051 has made all appropriate findings related to administrative matters. The City Council hereby incorporates the findings summarized in the Los Angeles County Ordinance No. 2013-0051.

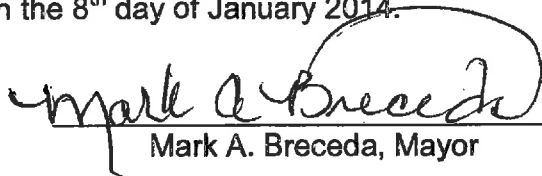
SECTION 13: All violations of the provisions of the Los Angeles County Building Code, (2014 Edition), Los Angeles County Residential Code (2014 Edition), Los Angeles County Green Building Standards Code (2014 Edition), Los Angeles County Electrical Code (2014 Edition), Los Angeles County Plumbing Code, (2014 Edition), and Los Angeles County Mechanical Code (2014 Edition) adopted by the City shall be a misdemeanor and subject to the penalty provisions contained in Chapter 1.12 of the Irwindale Municipal Code.

SECTION 14: Full Force and Effect. Except as expressly amended herein, all other subsections of Chapter 15 of the Irwindale Municipal Code shall be unchanged and in full force and effect.

SECTION 15: Effective Date. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this ordinance by the City Council of the City of Irwindale and shall, within 15 days after its final passage, cause the same to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Irwindale, and this Ordinance shall take effect 30 days after its passage.

SECTION 16: Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council of the City of Irwindale hereby declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions thereof may be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January 2014.

  
Mark A. Breceda, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Armando Hegdahl  
Acting Deputy City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA           )  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES    ) ss.  
CITY OF IRWINDALE            )

I, Armando Hegdahl, Acting Deputy City Clerk of the City of Irwindale, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 674 was introduced for first reading at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Irwindale held on December 11, 2013, and adopted on second reading at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Irwindale held on January 8, 2014, and was carried by the following-roll call vote:

AYES:           Councilmembers:   Ambriz, Garcia, Miranda, Ortiz, Mayor Breceda

NOES:           Councilmembers:   None

ABSENT:        Councilmembers:   None

ABSTAIN:       Councilmembers:   None

  
Armando Hegdahl  
Acting Deputy City Clerk

**AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING**

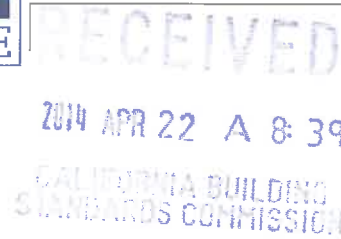
I, Armando Hegdahl, Acting Deputy City Clerk, certify that I caused a copy of Ordinance No. 674, adopted by the City Council of the City of Irwindale at its regular meeting held January 8, 2014, to be posted at the City Hall, Library, and Post Office on January 8, 2014.

  
Armando Hegdahl  
Acting Deputy City Clerk

Dated:   January 8, 2014



April 1, 2014



Ms. Jane Taylor, Finance Department  
California Building Standards Commission  
2525 Natomas Park Drive, Suite 130  
Sacramento, California 95833

**Subject: City of Irwindale Adoption to Municipal Code with regard to Building and Fire Codes for 2014**

Dear Ms. Taylor;

At its meeting of January 8, 2014, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 674, amending Title 15 of the Irwindale Municipal Code by adopting by reference the *Los Angeles County Building Code (2014 Edition)* with Irwindale amendments, *Los Angeles County Electrical Code (2014 Edition)*, the *Los Angeles County Mechanical Section (2014 Edition)*, the *Los Angeles County Plumbing Code (2014 Edition)*, the *Los Angeles County Green Building Standards Code (2014 Edition)*, and the *Los Angeles County Residential Code (2014 Edition)*, adopting local amendments and repealing all other ordinances or portions of ordinances that may conflict.

At its meeting of March 26, 2014, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 675, amending Title 15.12 of the Irwindale Municipal Code and adopting by reference the *Los Angeles County Fire Code (2014 Edition)*, with the *Los Angeles County Amendments* and repealing all ordinances or portions of ordinances that may conflict.

We are forwarding a certified copy of both Ordinance No. 674 and Ordinance 675 to your department to be received and filed.

For your reference, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors adopted by reference the 2013 State of California Building, Residential, Green Building Standards, Electrical, Plumbing and Mechanical Codes with County amendments on November 26, 2013. On March 25, 2014, the County also adopted by reference the 2013 California Fire Code with County amendments.

If you have any questions, or need additional information please contact me at (626) 430-2211.

Very truly yours,

William K. Tam  
Director of Public Works/City Engineer

Enclosures

